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Provisional Application for Patent Relates to Business Method

Background: Online Auctions have become a way of life on the World Wide Web today. There are many companies that offer these services to end users or consumers whether he or she is a seller or a buyer. Ebay, yahoo, and amazon, dot com companies are just a few to mention.

Typically, an Internet user will log on to such web sites and will register as a user or a member by selecting a username and a password. These individuals will then be offered the opportunity to either place bids on items for purchasing, or use the buy it now feature to purchase a product, or by placing items up for sale via a bidding process, buy it now, or via a Dutch auction.

Most online auction companies such as ebay, yahoo, or amazon will offer their services to end users on a macro level. By that we mean that they do not concentrate on a micro level or by a specific city method. Their method might involve national television advertisements, national Internet advertising, and national ad campaigns to draw end users to trade on their web site. Furthermore, they are also involved in offering their services worldwide.

Our Method: "Micro Auctioning"

We know and understand that unless a company has deep pockets, millions of dollars in the bank such as ebay, competing against such giants will make it difficult if not impossible.

Our method will be related to the purchasing of Zip codes and or city dot coms. For example, we might purchase the domain name shop91042.com, shop91006.com, bid91042.com, bid91006.com, and any other combinations of domain names that could be targeted to a local city such as shopburbank.com, shoppasadena.com, or bidburbank.com, or bidpasadena.com.

These specified domain names would be purchased on a national level with a criteria that each domain name that is targeted should have a household population no less than 5000. Currently and to the best of our knowledge there are approximately fifteen thousand cities in the United States with the specified criteria.

These domain names will be operated locally as an online auction site with or without a combination of classified advertisements, as well as a local service sector for plumbers, electricians, etc. combined with local advertisements for restaurants, mechanic shops, and local businesses.

These local domain names could also be operated in combination with our Projectmla, which we currently have a Provisional Patent filed with the USPTO.

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These domain names could be operated by us, corporate, or they could be offered for sale to local individuals. If offered to individuals, they will participate with us in the gross revenue produced from their local area at a percentage that is not yet determined.

Furthermore, these individuals will be responsible in advertising their local domain names by wrapping their cars with the domain name as well as handing out brochures, business cards, etc. in the local area. They are also entitled to sell any of the services offered for local advertising to local merchants and participate in the revenue as well. They could also become involved in our Projectmla.

As to the end users, once they log on to their local shopping site in search of an item, and should they not find the searched for item in their local area, they will be able to shop regionally or nationally via our Bidway.com web site. Any seller who places an item for sale via their local area, automatically the listed item will be placed for sale on our national site Bidway.com.

Our benefits should be great. With this method, we have geared our growth via local shopping and via the wrapped cars as well as the word of mouth advertisements.

Within twelve months we will file the proper patent application. Any questions, please direct all correspondence to:

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